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AMENDMENT

Examiner Nicolas:

The following comments and amendments are made in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on December 4, 2006, in respect of the above-entitled application for patent.

In the Office action, the Examiner rejected all pending claims currently under consideration. The Applicants herein provide remarks to address the various rejections. No amendments to the claims are presented at this time.

As this Reply is being filed on 1 June 2007 along with a Request for an appropriate extension of time, it is timely. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application for patent in light of the Remarks made herein.

Amendments to the Specification are not presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are not presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are not presented in this paper.

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